

1	2	3	4	5	6
3.	Katpadi-Pakala-Tirupati	104	72	15.00	Work in progress and is targetted for completion by 31.10.98.
4.	Mudkhad-Adilabad	162	110.95	36.83	Work being executed under Build-Own-Lease Transfer (BOLT) Scheme and is targetted for completion by December, 1998.
5.	Solapur (Hotgi) Gadag	300	208	31.10	The work is in progress and Hotgi-Bijapur section is targetted for completion by December, 1997. Rest of the section targetted for completion by March, 1998.
6.	Secunderabad-Mudkhed Jankampet-Bodhan	269	283.52	0.01	Work to be taken up after requisite clearances have been obtained.
7.	Dharmavaram-Pakala	227	200	0.01	Included in Supplementary Budget, 1997-98. Work to be taken up after requisite clearances have been obtained.

*Doubling*

1.	Vijayawada-Krishna Canal (3rd line)	5	23.52	1.00	Detailed estimate under preparation. Work is targetted for completion by December, 1999.
2.	Vikarabad-Tandur	41.41	71.83	2.0	Tandur-Rukhmapur section commissioned for traffic. Work in progress on Rukhmapur-Vikarabad section. The entire work is targetted for completion in 1998-99
3.	Hospet-Guntakal	115	105.77	42.00 (under BOLT 0.01 under capital Fund)	Work to be executed under Build-own-Lease Transfer (BOLT) Scheme. BOLT bid documents are under preparation.
4.	Gudur-Renigunta	83	139.69	0.01	Project has recently been cleared by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs. Preliminary works like preparation of detailed estimate and tender papers are in progress.

*[Translation]***Privatisation of Basic Telephone Services**

3654. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the contract for telephone services in Indore has been awarded to Bharti Telecom, Company;

(b) if so, the steps being taken by his Ministry to make Indore telephones capable to stand in competition against the privatisation;

(c) whether Indore District Telecommunications has submitted any scheme in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) The Licence has been awarded to M/S Bharti Telenet Ltd. For providing Basic Telephone Service in Madhya Pradesh Telecom Circle including Indore telecom. District.

(b) Steps are being taken for modernisation and expansion of Indore Telephone Network.

(c) and (d) Indore Telephones has submitted a proposal for replacement of Electro-mechanical exchanges, provision of adequate equipment for telephone exchanges and access network, enhancement of transmission media, provision of adequate number of small C-DOT exchanges and digital MARR systems, computerisation of various services, introduction of Wireless in Local Loop Technology and improvement in Human Resource Development Policy.